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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MBFR/CSCE: FRG-SWEDISH TALKS IN BONN

BEGIN SUMMARY: FRG DISARMAMENT COMMISSIONER ROTH HAS INFORMED EMBOFF ON HIS JULY 4 TALKS IN BONN WITH SWEDISH FONOFF SCIENTIFIC ADVISER ERICKSON ON MBFR AND CSCE. THE MAIN TOPICS OF DISCUSSION WERE CSCE CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES (CBMS), AND POSSIBLE ROLE OF SWEDEN IN VERIFICATION OF EVENTUAL MBFR AGREEMENTS. ROTH SAID HE DID NOT EXPECT SWEDEN TO CAUSE ANY PROBLEMS IN EITHER CSCE OR MBFR. END SUMMARY.

1. MAIN POINT WAS SWEDISH DESIRE FOR "MORE RIGID" CBMS AS PRODUCT OF CSCE. ERICKSON ALSO SAID STOCKHOLM CONFIDENTIAL

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FAVORED AN "INTERNATIONAL BODY" TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE

WITH SUCH CBMS. ROTH SAID HE REPLIED TO ERICKSON BY SAYING THE FRG BELIEVED CBMS MENTIONED IN FINAL MPT REPORT WERE SUFFICIENT AND THAT CSCE SHOULD NOT PRE-EMPT MBFR NEGOTIATIONS IN THIS FIELD. ROTH ADDED THAT BONN DID NOT FAVOR CSCE FOLLOW-UP MACHINERY IN THE MILITARY/ SECURITY FIELD AS SUCH AN INTERNATIONAL BODY COULD INTERFERE WITH EUROPEAN SECURITY AFFAIRS.

2. ERICKSON TOLD ROTH THE SWEDES WERE INTERESTED IN BUT HAD NO SPECIAL WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN MBFR NEGOTIATIONS. HOWEVER, ERICKSON ADDED THAT SWEDEN WOULD BE PREPARED, SHOULD MBFR PARTICIPANTS LATER EXPRESS THE WISH, TO OFFER ITS GOOD SERVICES IN THE VERIFICATION OF EVENTUAL MBFR AGREEMENTS. ERICKSON ADDED THAT, IN ONE SENSE, NEUTRAL COUNTRIES ALREADY COULD BE CONSIDERED "CONSTRAINT AREAS" AS NO TROOPS WERE PERMITTED TO MOVE INTO THEM.

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